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A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The matter is one for the District Board.

(*c*) Does not arise.

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Government Order barring secondary trained teachers from becoming Deputy Inspectors of Schools.

*725 Q.—Mr. A. Kaleswara Rao: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Director of Public Instruction has submitted for the orders of Government the other cases mentioned in the answer to the starred question No. 633, answered on 29th March 1927, of Mr. Abdul Hye Sahib;

(*b*) how many such cases have been since submitted and what action has been taken by the Government; and

(*c*) whether the Government will make an investigation into the whole matter and exempt and reinstate all the persons who were acting as Deputy Inspectors till 19th April 1926, when the G.O. (Press) No. 656, Law (Education) was issued framing the Junior Deputy Inspectors scheme?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) Recommendations were received on behalf of eleven persons and these were approved by the Government.

(*c*) Appointments to the Subordinate Educational Service are made by the Director of Public Instruction and it is always open to him to apply to the Government for special sanction to the employment of persons who do not possess the prescribed qualifications. The Government do not propose to institute any general enquiry in the manner suggested.

Memorial from the school assistants regarding the Knapp scheme of pay.

*726 Q.—Mr. Basheer Ahmad Sayeed: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Knapp's scheme of pay for the Subordinate Educational Service at Rs. 100—5—150—10—250 was sanctioned, and if so, when and how long it was in force;

(*b*) whether pay was drawn according to the abovesaid scheme for a period of 14 months by the school assistants in the Subordinate Educational Service;

(*c*) why the said scale of pay was subsequently cut down to Rs. 75—5—100, 100—10—150, 150—10—250, with two bars: one at Rs. 100 and the other at Rs. 150; what led to the imposition of two such bars in the grade;

(*d*) whether it is a fact that school assistants have submitted memorials to the Governor and the Minister for the redress of their grievances; and

(*e*) whether the hon. the Minister will be pleased to state what action has been taken thereon and to place a copy of the orders, if any, on the table of the House?

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A.—The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answers to question No. 822 asked at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 31st March 1927 and to question No. 295 at the meeting held on 27th August 1927.

Mr. BASHEER AHMAD SAYEED :—"May I know whether the hon. the Minister is going to revise the pay of the school assistants ?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—"That matter is under consideration."

Conveyance facilities to Muhammadan Girls' schools.

*727 *Q.*—Mr. BASHEER AHMAD SAYEED : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) what action has been taken on the memorial submitted to Government by the Muslims of Trichinopoly regarding the provision of conveyances for the Government Muhammadan Girls' Training School at Trichinopoly ; and

(*b*) whether the Government have received any memorial from the Muhammadan Education Association of Southern India regarding the increase of the number of conveyances for the Government Hobart Training School for Muhammadan girls, and if so, what action has been taken thereon ?

A.—(*a*) The request in the memorial was that conveyances might be provided at Government expense for the gosha students of the Government Training School for Muhammadan Women, Trichinopoly. The request was considered and negatived by Government.

(*b*) Yes. The question is under consideration.

Mr. BASHEER AHMAD SAYEED :—"May I know, Sir, any specific reasons for not considering the claims of the Trichinopoly Muhammadan Girls' Training School ?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—"I cannot give any specific reasons"

Mr. ABDUL HAMID KHAN :—"With reference to the answer to clause (*b*), may I know from the hon. the Minister in what state that consideration is, whether they have sanctioned the proposal, or whether they propose to do so or whether they have investigated the matter ?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—"The matter is still under investigation."

Mr. BASHEER AHMAD SAYEED :—"How long is it since the memorial was received ?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—"I cannot say that exactly."

Mr. ABDUL HAMID KHAN :—"May I know approximately how many months it is since the matter has come to his notice ?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—"I cannot say that either."